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REMEMBRANCE A makeshift memorial for Nancy Ann Barnes at the entrance to Arcata City Hall. KLH | UNION

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ARCATA – Nancy Ann Barnes, a houseless woman who has made a home near the covered entranceway to Arcata City Hall for the past year or so, was found deceased there Monday morning, Dec. 5. Her cause of death was not immediately known. An autopsy was scheduled

DEATH ♦ PAGE 4



STEP INTO



THE GROVE

GROUP EFFORT Left, Arcata House workers Allie Lucchesi, Sarah Somers and Remy Ursula roam The Grove's grounds, preparing the new units. Right, City Councilmember-elect Kimberley White, Third District Supervisor Mike Wilson and Arcata House Partnership Executive Director Darlene Spoor in one of the new studio apartments. PHOTOS BY KLH | UNION

Arcata House opens new housing complex



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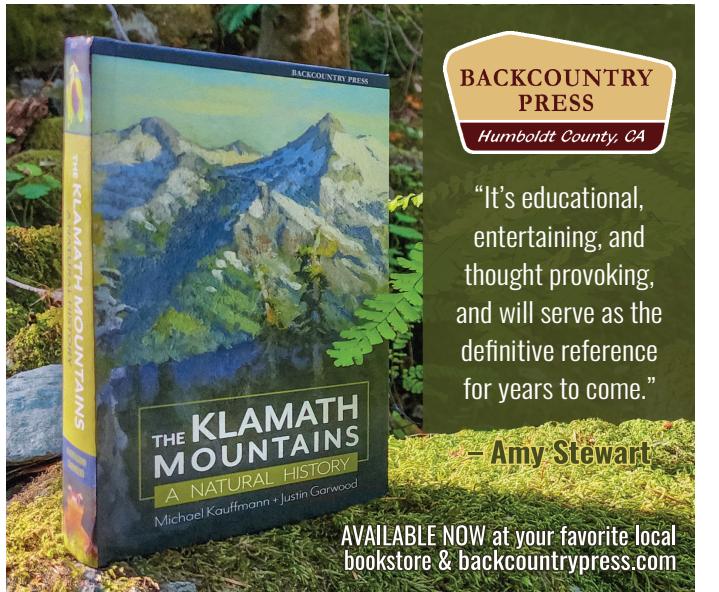
VALLEY WEST – Arcata House Partnership (AHP) was all hands on deck through the weekend, racing to open its ambitious new permanent supportive-housing complex, The Grove. A former Days Inn motel, the newly transformed

Grove offers 60 units and a range of amenities for presently homeless individuals, plus 24-hour security and support.

Made possible by a \$14.1 million state Project Homekey 2 grant, The Grove is one of two supportive housing projects coming online in Valley West.

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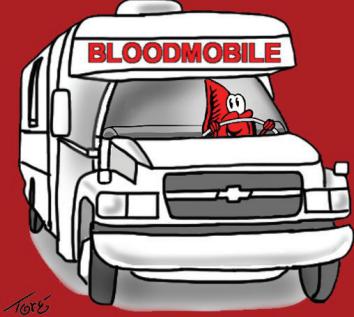
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Baysiders organize Neighborhood Watch

A recent significant increase in break-ins, theft, and crime in Bayside has concerned residents on high alert. Fifty-five Bayside residents gathered Thursday night, Dec. 1 at the Jacoby Creek Land Trust

barn to meet with Under Sheriff Justin Braud from the County Sheriff's Office and Ginger Campbell, the Neighborhood Watch coordinator. Residents discussed their growing concern about personal safety, theft and damage to property.

Residents have alerted each other in social media and posted flyers on public information boards infor-



CONCERNED CITIZENS Ginger Campbell helps coordinate the new Neighborhood Watch.

PHOTO BY MAGGIE GAINER | BAYSIDE BEAT

mation about an individual they have reported to the Sheriff's Office.

The result was a follow-up meeting on Thursday, Dec. 8 at the Bayside Temperance Hall for a presentation from Ginger Campbell on reducing crime and the Neighborhood Watch Program.

Forty-eight residents of Bayside-Jacoby Creek Valley attended. Ginger works closely with local law enforcement and provided practical examples and printed materials to help residents protect their homes and begin organizing into several Neighborhood Watch programs.

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Wednesday, Dec. 7	T	07.69	07.28	08.97
Thursday, Dec. 8	00.61	08.30	07.33	09.23
Friday, Dec. 9	00.38	08.68	07.33	09.49
Saturday, Dec. 10	01.35	10.03	07.33	09.75

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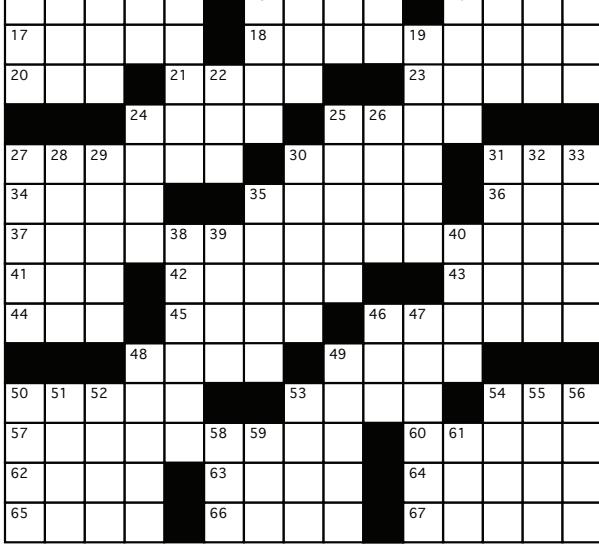
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- 18. Secret Service agent
- 20. Hosp. floor supervisors
- 21. Opening
- 23. South American range
- 24. Actress Deborah
- 25. Shed
- 27. Gratify
- 30. Poi source
- 31. Bakery purchase
- 34. Like meringue
- 35. Carrier
- 36. Social insect
- 37. "Get real!"
- 41. Last queen of Spain
- 42. Upper crust
- 43. Regal address
- 44. Draft board: abbr.
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- 46. Landlord
- 48. Prudent
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132,000-acre offshore Humboldt wind energy areas draw over \$331M in bids

Daniel Mintz

MAD RIVER UNION

HUMBOLDT — Bidding for offshore wind energy leases is done and Humboldt County is getting national attention as two areas off the county's coast total more than \$331 million of federal leasing.

The federal Bureau of Ocean Energy Management auction began on Dec. 6 and concluded the next day. High bids for the offshore Humboldt areas are \$150.7 million and \$173.8 million and the leases encompass more than 132,000 acres 21 miles offshore of Eureka.

The winning bidders are RWE Offshore Wind Holdings LLC, a subsidiary of the globally-active RWE company, and California North Floating LLC, a subsidiary of the Denmark-based Copenhagen Infrastructure Partners company.

Three more leases totaling \$345.6 million are awarded for areas offshore of Morro Bay.

The leasing is the first ever for the Pacific West Coast. Winning bidders will submit design, construction and operations plans, which will be subject to environmental review processes.

A Dec. 7 press release

from the U.S. Department

of the Interior notes that the winning bidders can get a 20 percent credit for funding "programs or initiatives that support workforce training programs for the floating offshore wind industry, the development of a U.S. domestic supply chain for the floating offshore wind energy industry, or both."

An additional five percent credit can be had for bidders who forge Community Benefit Agreements. The funding from them will offset impacts to other ocean users and their communities.

Together with other recent developments such as the Nordic Aquafarms indoor fish farm and Humboldt State University's transformation into Cal Poly Humboldt, offshore wind energy will dramatically boost the county's economy and jobs base.

The county's Harbor District has gotten a \$10.5 million state grant toward development of an 86-acre wind energy supply facility at a former Humboldt Bay pulp mill site now owned by the district.

The district calls the facility a "West Coast hub for the industry," as a partnership with a major marine terminal development company, Crowley Wind Services, will supply Morro Bay and offshore areas of Oregon with wind energy turbines and gear.

It's part of the Biden administration's can-do plan to establish 30 gigawatts of offshore wind energy by 2030 and 15 gigawatts of floating offshore wind energy by 2035.

The Humboldt and Morro bay areas have potential to produce 4.6 gigawatts of the floating platform component, which would power 1.5 million homes.

But some losses are also expected, as offshore wind energy will displace commercial and tribal fishing

areas.

Ken Bates of the Humboldt Fishermen's Marketing Association and the newly-formed California Fishermen's Resiliency Association described the scenario to the county's Board of Supervisors on the day bidding began.

He said offshore wind turbine development in California will take up about 2,000 miles of fishing area and another 800 square miles from maintenance buffers around transmission cable lanes.

Humboldt Bay will have temporary closures as turbines and equipment are transported offshore.

Bates advocated for negotiation on avoiding and mitigating impacts to commercial fishing.

"While fishermen think it's a bad idea to covert fishing grounds from which we get sustainable food off of into electricity, we also know that as a community, we have to figure out how to have both," he said.

Supervisor Rex Bohn is known for his support of resource industries but he suggested losses are inevitable.

"As Ken said, you guys all want renewable energy but we're all gonna have to take a little haircut and accept that we're all gonna take a little beating to get to that point," he said.

"Yes, we don't disagree with renewable energy at all but we prefer to not be put out of business or move away," said Jake McMaster of the Humboldt Fishermen's Marketing Association.

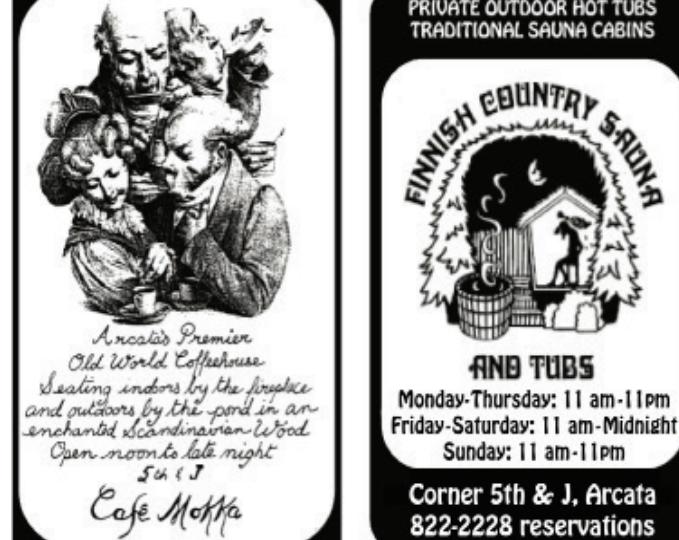
On the East Coast, the Responsible Offshore Development Alliance, an advocacy group that's also active on the West Coast, has filed a lawsuit against the federal government over the country's first approved offshore wind project offshore of Massachusetts, saying its impacts to commercial fishing and marine animals are too severe.

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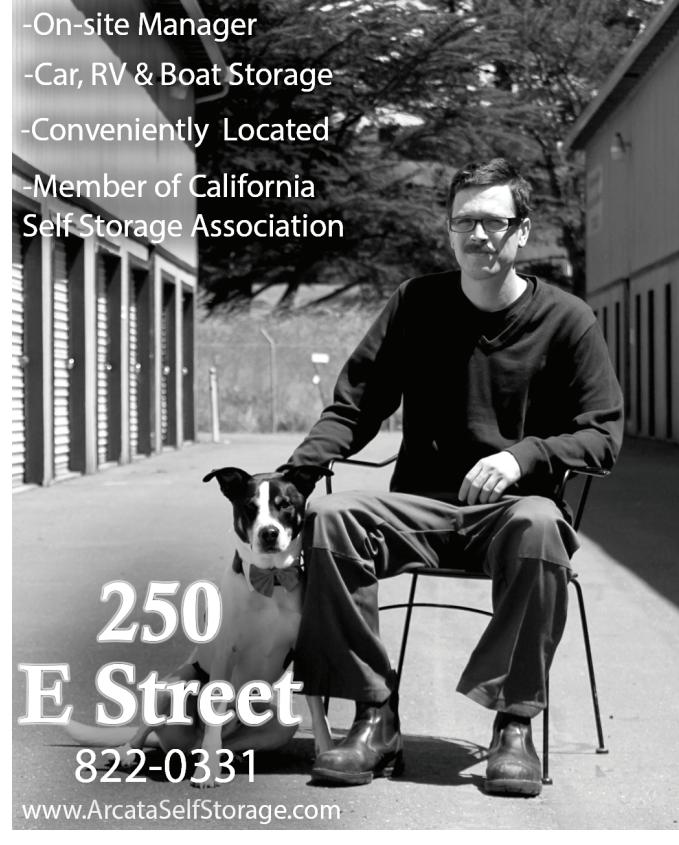


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- Sunday Holiday Art Markets from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Dec. 11 and 18. (In the event of rain the art market will take place at the Arcata Theatre Lounge.)

- Visit Santa Claus beneath the Grand Tree at Jacoby's Storehouse Saturday, Dec. 10, 1:30 to 4:30 p.m.; Sunday, Dec. 11, 2:30 to 5 p.m.; Saturday, Dec. 17, 2 to 5 p.m.; Sunday, Dec. 18, 2:30 to 5 p.m.; and Friday, Dec. 22, noon to 3 p.m.

- Special Appearance by Shoshanna the Snowflake Queen on Sunday, Dec. 11!

- Chanukah on the Plaza on Dec. 18th at 4:30 p.m.

- Last Minute Shopping Party on Dec. 23 from 6 to 8 p.m. with Music & Snow Party.

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Zoom link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84449947337?pwd=eDNvaH5L2xyOXFuV63TXBQOVh2QT09>

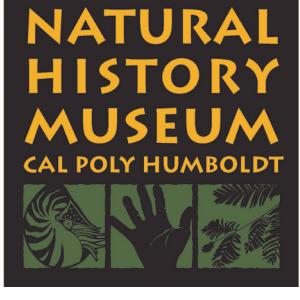
The McKinleyville Municipal Advisory Committee (MMAC) is reviewing a revised Town Center Ordinance. Join us to share your thoughts! Please visit the McKinleyville Town Center Master Plan web page to learn more about the project and how to participate:

<https://humboldtgov.org/2564/McKinleyville-Town-Center-Master-Plan>

Break-ins continue... Sometime Monday night a burglar cut a hole in the roof of Hutchins grocery, 1644 G St., escaping with \$280 in cash. The break-in was discovered by Nelo Dal Porto, owner. Sometime over the weekend a burglar broke into three professional offices at Sunny Brae, causing property damage and leaving with \$23 in small bills. — Arcata Union, Jan. 4, 1963

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Election results wrap

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HUMBOLDT — The Humboldt County Office of Elections released its final cumulative count of the Nov. 8 vote last Tuesday, with no changes to outcomes in key Northern Humboldt races from the previous tally.

Arcata's city-operated flagpoles will soon see the Stars & Stripes taking second billing, with the iconic Apollo 17 image of Planet Earth flying overhead. That's because, according to the final tally of the Nov. 8 election, Arcata voters have passed Measure M, the Put the Earth On Top initiative championed by activist Dave Meserve.

While initial returns had the measure trailing, post-election vote tallies saw it surge from behind to win a decisive, if not overwhelming victory. The final count, as released by the Humboldt County Office of Elections, was 3,051 or 52.31 percent in favor, and 2,781 or 47.69 percent opposed.

In an interview with *Union* videographers Ray Olson and Moonlight Macumber, Meserve expressed gratification at the outcome.

"We're just proud of the people of Arcata for having supported the measure, which says that the Earth is more important to us than any country or any state," Meserve said. "It's our home and we must defend it and protect it and make it safe and healthy for us for our kids and our grandkids."

Opponents cited current laws regulating flag display, suggesting that passage of the measure could lead to costly legal consequences for the City of Arcata. But Meserve pledged to defend the new flag protocol against any challenges.

"If that happens, what we as proponents have done is to guarantee that it will be pro bono, free attorneys defending it, so it won't have to be the city attorney defending it, and it should minimize the cost to the city of any defense of ballot Measure M," he said.

Concluded Meserve, "We cannot have a healthy nation unless we have a healthy Earth, and then having a healthy Earth needs to be our priority. And that's what the flag on top symbolizes, is for us to focus our attention on the priority of a healthy and peaceful Earth."

After their swear-in this Thursday evening, the newly composed Arcata City Council will reconvene in closed session to ascertain its stance toward any challenges to the measure.

❖ FINAL ELECTION RESULTS

• Arcata City Council		
✓ Meredith Matthews	3,576	34.26%
✓ Kimberley White	3,495	33.48%
Raelina Krikston	1,306	12.51%
Brett Watson	791	7.58%
Jeffrey Scott Sterling	753	7.21%
Dana Quillman	518	4.96%
• Clerk, Recorder, Registrar of Voters		
✓ Juan Pablo Cervantes	23,573	55.92%
Tiffany Hunt Nielsen	18,584	44.08%
• Trinidad City Council		
✓ Cheryl Kelly	155	31.89%
✓ Kati Breckenridge	152	31.28%
✓ Jack Tuttle	139	28.60%
Michael J. Morgan	40	8.23%
• Blue Lake City Council		
✓ Elise G. Scafani	335	36.61%
✓ Elizabeth MacKay	332	36.28%
Christopher Edgar	248	27.10%
• Blue Lake City Council (2-year terms)		
✓ Angela Shull	375	50.88%
✓ Alice Finen	362	49.12%
• Blue Lake Union Elem. School District		
✓ Jace Baldosser	590	29.09%
✓ Kim Warvi	590	29.09%
✓ Daria Lowery	569	28.06%
Deborah Herberly	279	13.76%
• Measure L (Arcata tax)		
✓ Yes	3,858	64.94%
No	2,083	35.06%
• Measure M (Arcata flag)		
✓ Yes	3,051	52.31%
No	2,781	47.69%
• Measure P (Trinidad tax)		
✓ Yes	149	77.20%
No	44	22.80%
Measure R (Blue Lake tax)		
✓ Yes	308	56.41%
No	238	43.59%

Note: Results from the final General Election 2022 Cumulative Report, issued at 8:33 a.m. Tuesday, Dec. 6, representing 48,741, or 57.48 percent of Humboldt's 84,792 registered voters.

Death | Outcry

❖ FROM PAGE 1

for Monday.

City Manager Karen Diemer remembered Barnes, who lived outside her office window with a small Pomeranian. "It's emotional," Diemer said. "It's hard."

Barnes' death was beyond upsetting for a group of more than two dozen individuals who showed up for Wednesday night's City Council meeting. They wanted to know how a homeless person could be allowed to die unsheltered in Arcata.

But the council meeting was not to be, as a quorum of three members wasn't available. Councilmember Alex Stillman was away traveling, while Mayor Stacy Atkins-Salazar. Councilmember Brett Watson again excused himself for medical reasons. He's missed recent meetings due to personal illness, his rabbits giving birth and now, because his mother needs a kidney transplant.

That left Vice Mayor Sarah Schaefer, Councilmember Meredith Matthews and Councilmember-elect Kimberley White to field the demands – and the anger.

After adjourning the official no-quorum meeting, the electeds engaged with the crowd. "There was 'lots of yelling,'" White related. "It got a little heated."

"They got the passion and anger out, and now they're ready to get down to business," Schaefer said.

While their principal demand was to open up city properties such as the D Street Neighborhood Center or Arcata Ball Park for use as shelters, it's not that simple.

"We have spots, but the issue is being able to staff it," Schaefer said.

The existing Safe parking facility on Samoa Boulevard might work, but

its location is sub-optimal. "We need to get creative," White said. "We're in a crisis." She suggested "circus tents with heaters."

Diemer said a provider for staffing and operations is required. "Is it absolutely unattainable? Of course not," she said.

Arcata's church-operated emergency shelters ended with the COVID pandemic, and haven't returned.

Schaefer said the council shares the public's feelings of grief and urgency. "We are human people that do care," she said. "I have a lot of ideas in my head. I hope we can offer a space."

Blue and Penny, just two of the shelter's many guests

Thanks to everyone for supporting the shelter's Emergency Medical Fund, whether by attending the event, bidding on the auction or just making a donation. This fund saves or improves the lives of shelter dogs and cats that need treatment for heartworm, orthopedic injuries, parasitic infections, glaucoma, tumors and more.

One of my friends has had two dogs that were beneficiaries of this fund and

I know she would say her life was made better by the wonderful dogs that were saved by the EMF!

It's getting harder to write this column each week as more and more dogs seem to be showing up at the shelter. This same scenario seems to be replaying all over the country. So many factors that could be affecting this – economics, spay and neuter back-ups during COVID, housing shortages, back yard breeding. Ten dogs came in two days last week.

Adoptions have been happening, but not at a rate that can handle that many dogs arriving. Staff and volunteers are doing everything they can to keep everyone safe. Volunteers and community members are fostering dogs in their homes. Staff members are practicing creative space use at the shelter. Rescue (that's us at Redwood Pals) are doing all we can to move animals out.

We have sent almost 40 puppies to our partners in the Pacific Northwest in just the last month. As this goes to press, another two cars full are being readied to head out. I had three adorable (and messy!) pups in my home before the last transport. It's very satisfying to see how



quickly they were adopted in a new venue.

How can you help? Adopt your next dog or cat from the shelter. This week should have a "Home for the Holidays" adoption special in place! Foster if you can; give a dog a chance to spend some time out of the shelter and help reduce crowding. Share our Humboldt County Animal Shelter and Redwood Pals Rescue Facebook posts to enlarge the audience for our adoptable animals.

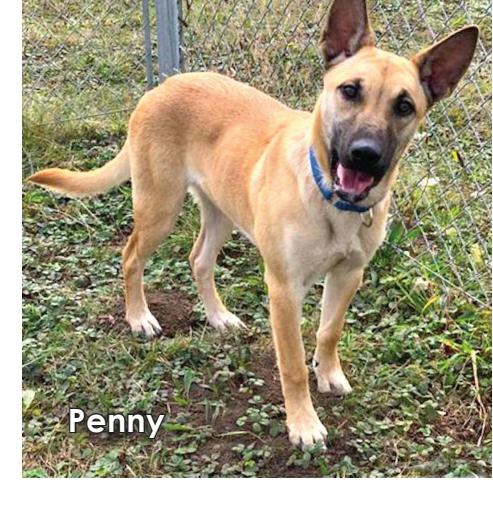
Here are a couple of dogs that would love to come home with you! Big boy Blue is a gentle fellow. He surprises everyone by how easy he is. Blue recently went on an outing to College Cove with one of our volunteers and her daughter and they commented on what a pleasure it was to have him. He doesn't pull on the leash and loves any attention that he can get!

Two-year-old Blue came in with another dog and is dog-friendly. He also came in with a heartworm infestation and is now waiting for a foster home where he can go through his treatment. Blue would need a foster for about two months. Fosters are not responsible for any veterinary expenses as those are covered by the EMF and have the first opportunity to adopt if they desire but are under no obligation to do so.

Blue is current on his vaccinations and microchipped. His neuter will take place after his heartworm treatment is complete. Contact the shelter or Redwood Pals for more information about medical fosters.

Penny is another fun pup! She is only about eight or nine months old but seems to be almost done growing. Penny loves other dogs and would be happy to find a home with a canine playmate. She is a happy girl who is quite food-motivated. She is quickly learning her obedience skills and nice leash manners. Penny is a nice size at about 40 pounds. She has several besties among the big boys at the shelter and can hold her own in a play session.

Penny has not shown a lot of interest in balls and toys but loves a good petting session. Penny is spayed, vaccinated and microchipped. Come meet Penny today!



Please contact the shelter at (707) 840-9132 for appointments or more information about these two. Redwood Pals Rescue can also help with information as we work with the shelter dogs also. You can reach Redwood Pals at redwoodpalsrescue@gmail.com or leave a voicemail at (707) 633-8842.

Man guilty of sledge hammer attack & false imprisonment

HUMBOLDT COUNTY DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE

ARCATA — On Dec. 6, 2022, a Humboldt County jury found 36-year-old Geoffrey Robert Campbell guilty of assault with a deadly weapon and false imprisonment. Judge Feeney did not allow the jury to deliberate on an additional charge of attempted murder.

Evidence presented at trial showed that on July 25, 2022, at about 3 a.m., at an indigent campsite in the Arcata Marsh,



Geoffrey Robert Campbell

momed law enforcement. Officers from the Arcata Police Department (APD) came to the victim's aid and coordinated transportation to Providence St. Joseph Hospital. APD Officer Riley Tippin also provided critical investigation of the case, including locating and interviewing an independent witness.

In addition to the assault and false imprisonment charges, Campbell was on probation for commercial burglary at the time of the assault and Judge Feeney found that Campbell's conduct violated the terms of his probation.

Deputy District Attorney Wayne Philips prosecuted the case with the assistance of District Attorney Investigator Martin Morris and Deputy Probation Officer Tanner Thrash. Deputy Public Defender David Nims represented Campbell.

Campbell will be sentenced on Jan. 5, 2023.



Enough fentanyl to stun Godzilla, or worse

HUMBOLDT COUNTY DRUG TASK FORCE

ARCATA — After an investigation spanning several months, the Humboldt County Drug Task Force served a Humboldt County Superior Court search warrant at the 4900 block of Crestwood Court in Arcata. During the search, Christopher James Bartow was located and detained. Agents located approximately two- and one-half ounces of fentanyl, digital scales, packaging materials and pay and owe sheets.



Christopher James Bartow

Bartow was subsequently arrested and booked into the Humboldt County Correctional Facility on the following charges:

- Possession of a controlled substance
- Three outstanding misdemeanor warrants

Councils swear in electeds

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NOHUM — City Councils in Arcata, Blue Lake and Trinidad were to swear in new members this week, then internally elect mayors and vice mayors.

Councilmember assignments to regional boards, committees and commissions and as liaisons may then be decided.

• **Arcata** — Thursday, Dec. 15, 6 p.m.: Newly-elected Councilmember Kimberley White; re-elected Councilmember Meredith Matthews.

• **Blue Lake** — Tuesday, Dec. 13, 6:30 p.m.: Newly-elected Councilmembers Elise G. Scafani and Elizabeth MacKay.

• **Trinidad** — Tuesday, Dec. 13, 6 p.m.: Returning Councilmembers Cheryl Kelly and Jack Tuttle; Newly-elected Councilmember Kati Breckenridge.

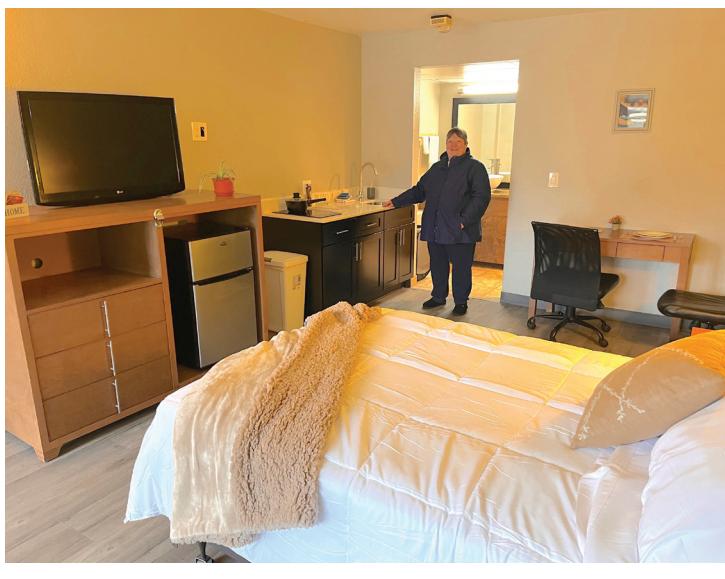


WHEN IT RAINS, IT FLOODS Recent rains have been welcome, and while they left some certainly not so usable, they also opened up some fun possibilities. Top left, the Arcata Community Center's new water feature rendered the playset temporarily off limits. Below left, the Bayside lowlands near Jacoby Creek flooded with the heavy rainfall on Friday and over the weekend, lending fresh meaning to the Old Arcata Road acronym, OAR. Right, third through seventh grade students from John Sutter's class at Valley West's Laurel Tree Charter School took to the high seas last Tuesday, except it wasn't the ocean, or even the Mad River – the boats set sail in Valley West Park. The school's adventure classes take advantage of local natural areas as part of the curriculum.

TOP LEFT PHOTO BY MATT FILAR | UNION. LEFT PHOTO BY MARGARET GAINER | BAYSIDE BEAT; RIGHT PHOTO BY KIMBERLEY WHITE | CUNA



BIG DAY Darlene Spoor chops veggies for staff lunch, above, and showing off a new room, right. PHOTOS BY KLH | UNION



ON TOUR Councilmember-elect White and Supervisor Wilson tour the second-floor apartments at The Grove.

The Grove | Some residents had been unhoused for 20 years

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The other is the newly named East Village Studios, a Danco-led transformation of the former 1969-vintage Red Roof Inn just up the street. That \$20.5 million project will provide about 78 studio apartments with kitchenettes, with Redwood Community Action Agency providing case management. East Village is expected to come online within the next few months.

But The Grove is, as of Sunday night, up and running, according to Darlene Spoor, AHP executive director.



"Starting at 9 a.m. Friday morning and ending at 3 p.m. Sunday, the AHP team leased up 54 units of affordable housing to 60 people," Spoor said. "With an average of 17 AHP staff and administrators on site at any time, people were welcomed, offered showers and a change of clothes, dogs were washed and received flea treatment if needed, people signed their leases and the code of conduct rules were reviewed, and then they received the key to their own apartment."

As part of being launched into their new, housed life, the new residents were accompanied to their units and helped them settle in. There, they were assisted with laundry, making their bed, putting things away and settling in. Sack lunches were provided.

"There were tears of gratitude by many," Spoor said. "One man had not been housed in 40 years. Yes, that is correct, 40

years. Others have been unhoused for 20 years and most averaged five to seven years unhoused."

Residents range from single individuals to couples to families. In the Arcata House tradition, and all will be expected to assume responsibility for themselves and their homes.

"People come with nothing," Spoor said.

Case management will be provided, including needs assessments, nutrition plans and being connected with medical, mental health, dentist, Social Security and employment resources.

Some will have to learn the basics of keeping house – cleaning, laundry, emptying trash, and being responsible tenants. Monthly room inspections will be held, but staff will check in on tenants every day. One four-legged pet is allowed.

The Grove will have 24 hour security and support, with a locked gate accessible only to tenants with room key cards. A video security system also monitors the premises. "They need to feel safe in their own place," Spoor said of tenants.

As Pierson Construction workers toiled about the property, installing everything from electrical wiring to windows, Spoor was full of gratitude for all the project's partners.

"The City of Arcata was our sponsor and we couldn't have done it without them," she said. "We're so grateful. They were really helpful expediting the process." Near-by Ray's Food Place, she

said, was "very supportive, and we're very grateful."

Partner agencies included, Redwoods Rural Health Center, the Veterans Administration, Humboldt County DHSS, plus the volunteers to do whatever needed to be done.

The property will also include an office and storage area for the on-site manager. What is now is a covered pool structure will become a community building.

Spoor hoped the community will pitch in to help make the project a success. "I would love some members of our community to start a book club, or start art projects," she said.

Local elected officials were gratified to see the new housing become a reality.

"It was just great to see the space and everyone moving in," said City Councilmember Sarah Schaefer. "Arcata House was working so hard to make everyone feel welcome, they're doing such important work. Amazing to see how quickly it came to fruition."

"This is a really important project and it couldn't happen soon enough," said Third District Supervisor Mike Wilson. "I'm so impressed with how Arcata House, the City of Arcata and the contractor worked together in such a short amount of time to make this happen. I'm also thankful to the governor's office for making funding these projects a priority."

Sunday night, Spoor reflected on the huge weekend effort. "The weather

was cold and rainy. And rainbows shown overhead.

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McK cityhood to be seriously researched

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MCKINLEYVILLE —

Next summer, McKinleyville residents may learn whether it is feasible to turn their town into an incorporated city.

A group of Cal Poly Humboldt students, led by Associate Professor Josh Zender, are conducting a feasibility study, which may be completed by the summer of 2023. Zender works in the School of Business.

Zender attended the Nov. 30 meeting of the McKinleyville Municipal Advisory Committee, which recently created a Subcommittee on Incorporation.

poration Exploration. That subcommittee is studying whether cityhood is feasible for the largest unincorporated community in Humboldt County.

Zender said he's also looking for grant funds to help pay for further studies.

"It's high time for McKinleyville residents to have all the information," said Fifth District Supervisor Steve Madrone, who added that the community needs to know whether incorporation makes economic sense or not.

Once the Cal Poly Humboldt study is done, there should be a community meeting to discuss its results, Madrone said.

If the community decides to pursue incorporation, a more in-depth financial analysis would need to take place. That study could cost \$100,000 to \$200,000, and it's not clear who would pay for it.

"McKinleyville will never become a city unless it's financially feasible and the community votes to make it so," Madrone said.

The Subcommittee on Incorporation Exploration is scheduled to meet on Wednesday, Dec. 21 at 4 p.m. and will hear a presentation for the Local Agency Formation Commission on the process of becoming a city. An agenda with the meeting location as well as the Zoom codes will be posted at humboldtgov.org/238/McKinleyville-Municipal-Advisory-Committ.

Also at its Nov. 30 meeting, the McMAC appointed two additional residents to the subcommittee — Tom Boyer and Tom Sheets.

BOTANICAL SCIENCE The California Native Plant Society (CNPS) invites the public to "From the Forefront of Botanical Science," Wednesday Dec. 14 at 7:30 p.m., at Six Rivers Masonic Lodge, 251 Bayside Rd. Arcata. Or visit northcoastcnps.org for a Zoom link to the presentation. Three Cal Poly Humboldt students with research grants from CNPS will describe their projects:

- Kale McNeil: the systematic and population genetics of endangered wetland violets in northern California
- Caitlyn Allchin: habitats and assisted migration of the Lassics lupine, an endangered serpentine-endemic
- Ashley Dickinson: the population structure and diversity of the two-flowered pea, another rare serpentine-endemic

Refreshments at 7 p.m., program at 7:30 p.m. CNPS hosts free public presentations on the second Wednesday of each month, September through May. (707) 822-2015, northcoastcnps.org.

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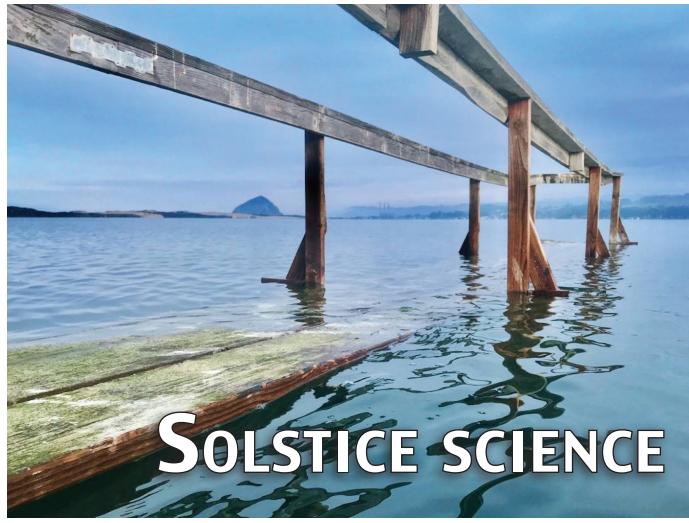
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Solstice Sea Star Search

Community members are invited to join Trinidad Coastal Land Trust for a guided sea star search on Thursday, Dec. 22 from 3:30 p.m. to sunset at Baker Beach, south of Trinidad on Scenic Drive.

This guided walk is part of a statewide Solstice Sea Star Search with Cal Academy of Sciences and The Nature Conservancy. Come help us seek out as many sea stars as possible!

Please register by emailing zoe@trinidadcoastalandtrust.org or call (707) 677-2501.

The Solstice Sea Start Search takes place from Dec. 20 to 23 to encourage community members across the state to visit the intertidal zone and document each sea star species they see on iNaturalist.

Sea stars are integral to ocean health and their disappearance in association with sea star wasting disease sends ripples throughout coastal ecosystems.

Sunflower sea stars, incredibly important tide pool predators, are especially important to document.

If you are lucky enough to find a Sunflower sea star, you can report it at bit.ly/sunflowerspotted and send the iNat observation link to solsticeseastarsearch@gmail.com.

California King Tides Project

Keep those cameras ready because the following two days, Dec. 23 and 24, will mark the highest tides of the year and, as community scientists, you can participate in the California King Tides Project by photographing the shoreline at high tide each day.

These photos will help us visualize future sea level rise and document the changes to our coast and estuaries.

High tides in the Trinidad area will be at 10:29 a.m. on the 23rd and 11:18 a.m. on



WATERWORLD Left, King Tide in San Luis Obispo County. Above, a Sunflower Star. LEFT PHOTO BY CALIFORNIA KING TIDES PROJECT; ABOVE PHOTO BY REBECCA JOHNSON | CALIFORNIA ACADEMY OF SCIENCES

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the 24th. Location suggestions for the Trinidad area include Moonstone Beach, Little River, Baker Beach stairs, and the Trinidad pier.

Please visit the King Tide Project website, coastal.ca.gov/kingtides for more info and send in your photos using the form found at survey123.arcgis.com/

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For both events, SAFETY IS PRIORITY.

Take extra precautions when you walk on slippery areas or near big waves, and always be conscious of your surroundings and the weather conditions. Don't turn your back on the ocean!

The HWMA Tire Recycling Program is back! Starts Sept 1st. Ends summer 2022.

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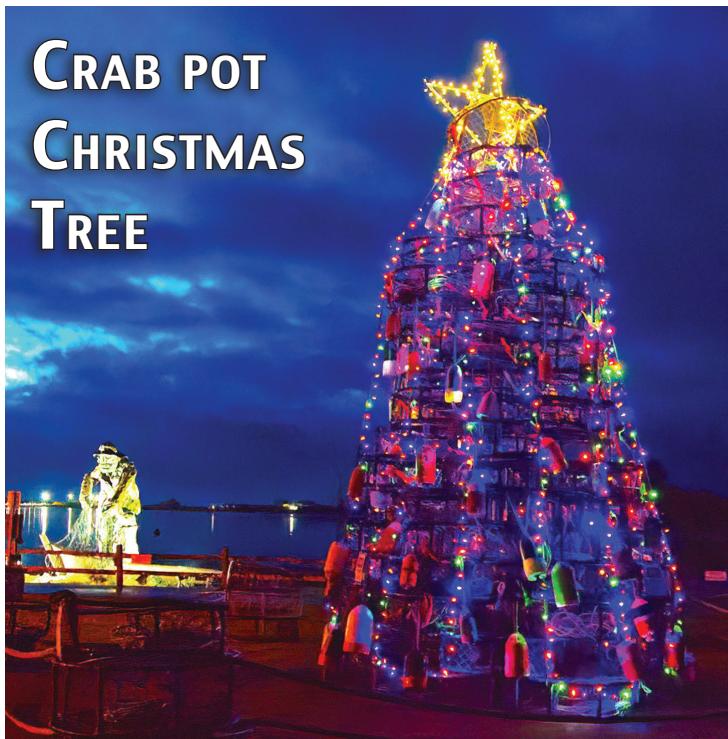
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ALL LIT UP Planned and directed by the Humboldt Fishermen's Wives, local fishermen at the opening of crab season, yearly construct a Christmas tree out of crab pots on the north end of Woodley Island Marina for the holidays. This year, the tree is made from 78 pots and is 18 pots high.

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ONE BIG CRAB POT FAMILY Crab pot snowpersons in Ed Hanlon's yard on the corner of West and Ocean. JANINE VOLKMAR | UNION

Christmas Eve Mass

Christmas Eve Mass will be given at the 1873 Holy Trinity Church at the corner of Hector and Parker streets on Christmas Eve at 6:30 p.m.

Nancy and Tom Sheen, who spend quantities of time lovingly restoring and maintaining Trinidad's oldest building, invite inquiries about the service at tnsheen@gmail.com.



MAKING CHRISTMAS BRIGHT The Arcata Fire District and Arcata Professional Firefighters Local 4981 displayed donations they have collected over the past months, and turned over all collected funds and toys to the US Marine Corp League Toys for Tots. All toys collected by the Toys for Tots will be distributed and will remain in our area.

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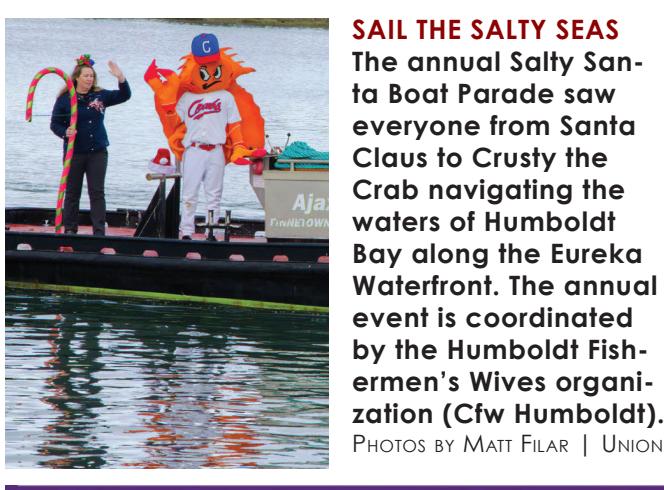


IN MEMORY Christmas Village by Scott Baker in memory of Athleen Baker, Trinidad Town Hall.

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SANTA SETS SAIL



SAIL THE SALTY SEAS The annual Salty Santa Boat Parade saw everyone from Santa Claus to Crusty the Crab navigating the waters of Humboldt Bay along the Eureka Waterfront. The annual event is coordinated by the Humboldt Fishermen's Wives organization (Cfw Humboldt). PHOTOS BY MATT FILAR | UNION

Sundance Ballet Company's The Nutcracker

Holiday masterpiece's 10th anniversary

SUNDANCE BALLET COMPANY

ARCATA — The Sundance Ballet Company presents *The Nutcracker* on Saturday, Dec. 17 at 7 p.m., and on Sunday, Dec. 18 at 2 p.m. at the Van Duzer Theatre in Arcata.

Celebrate the holidays with the classic Nutcracker ballet. See the action of Clara's family Christmas Eve party and the battle with the Rat King and the pure confection of the second act of the show.

The journey through the Snow Kingdom and the Land of Sweets with the Sugar Plum Fairy is led by Eureka's Sundance Ballet Company and its talented dancers.

The dancers of the Dance Scene Studio compliment the cast of guest and company dancers. This production is the only full traditional *Nutcracker Ballet* on the North Coast and is enthusiastically enjoyed by audiences every year.

The coveted role of the Sugar Plum Fairy will be danced by guest artist Caroline Radi and her Cavalier will be danced by Kevin Wong, both from Southern California.

Artistic Director Carrie Badeaux will dance the role of the Snow Queen this year. She reflected on producing a decade of Nutcrackers and said, "It is our silver anniversary. Ten years of Nutcrackers! It has grown and been refined every year. We started at the Women's Center in Eureka. Our guest artists from New York put on exceptional performances on the small stage there. We soon moved on to the Van Duzer Theater and I am thrilled to have such an amazing production for our community and dancers. I love where we are at now and every memory along the way."

Zaila Baba-Oliveri is one of three dancers who has danced in all 10 Nutcrackers,

starting as the production's first Clara.

Zaila said, "Dancing in all 10 of the Nutcrackers is something I'm very proud of. I'm constantly looking forward to seeing dancers who I consider my family, grow and change, especially during our nutcracker season." Zaila is looking

SOLDIERS Front row: Bentley Stephens, Alexa Lopez, Etta Reid, Norah Souza and Adriana Rodriguez. Standing: The Nutcracker with Isabella, Jessamy Moore, Sasha Neyra as Captains. PHOTO BY CARRIE BADEAUX



WALTZ OF THE SNOWFLAKES Front row: Hope Magee and Sasha Neyra. Middle row: Katie Kitchen, Isabella Acorn, Syona Gonzalez, Zaila Baba-Oliveri, Carrie Badeaux, Chris Brant, Ruby Reid and Mariana Hill.

PHOTO BY CARRIE BADEAUX

It is an amazing dance that I'll never forget."

From the bouncing Bon Bons of Mother Ginger to the classical Waltz of the Flowers, the *Nutcracker* ballet is sure to delight all audiences,

Colorful and sparkling costumes on the talented cast will grace the stage as well as unique mechanical props and of course, a hint of magic.

Advance tickets for the performance are \$15 for children ages 12 and under or \$20 for adults. At the door ticket prices are \$20 for children and \$25 for adults.

Tickets may be purchased online at DanceEureka.com, at Wildberries Marketplace in Arcata, or at The Dance Scene Studio in Eureka.



RUSSIAN TREPAK Sasha Neyra and Isabella Acorn.

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We may be overthinking and overlooking simple solutions

Shelter the homeless

A woman was found dead crouched in the doorway of Arcata City Hall on Monday morning vainly trying to escape the cold and rain of this past weekend.

If this doesn't scream to you that we need for an Extreme Weather Shelter (or Shelters) for the homeless, I can't imagine what would speak to you, Arcata City Council, Karen Diemer and David Loya!

What can we do, you may be thinking. Here are some suggestions:

Open up some city-owned buildings: the Community Center on Dr. Martin Luther King Jr Way, the D Street Neighborhood Center or the Arcata Ball Park for tents with platforms to elevate them from the wet ground and with propane heaters to keep the area relatively warm.

A friend of mine has also suggested the need for "warming centers" during the day for those having to spend the nights outdoors. Those same buildings: the community centers could serve as warming centers. People could come in to have something hot to drink, maybe some donated food. The centers, I understand, have washers and dryers that could be used to dry wet clothing and especially sleeping bags (which are useless as protection once they are wet).

And another urgent request is Please don't sell that "surplus" city-owned property without putting it on the agenda for a council meeting, so that we, the residents and taxpayers, can debate it!

That property could be used as a pilot project for tiny house villages! The two parcels on West End Road are zoned for "affordable housing". This is NO more af-

❖ LETTERS

fordable housing for the lowest income (or no income) individuals than tiny houses!

Rezoning to industrial and selling the property to a manufacturing business IS NOT meeting the state requirement to sell "surplus" property for affordable housing!

**Nancy Pelletier
Arcata**

Simplify with single-payer

The musings of a crab-fishing deckhand on healthcare:

As an employee of a seasonal industry I fully support a unified-financed, single-payer healthcare system like many other industrialized nations, basically an improved and expanded Medicare. During this wonderful time of open enrollment for health insurance options, however, I find myself wondering what to do.

Do I spend hours applying for MediCal since I'm unemployed at the moment? Or do I spend hours figuring out how much money I may make this next year and how sick or injured I will get in order to avoid this same process again once the season ends?

This system is filled with overly complicated terminology, a lot of fine print, and arbitrary deadlines. This is why a single-payer system funded through taxes, which I already pay, would be simpler and safer for everyone and certainly for me as an employee in a dangerous and unpredictable industry.

**Ross Ward
Bayside**

First, do no harm

One of the promises made by physicians when taking the Hippocratic Oath is, "First, do no harm."

My husband taught at HSU as a professor of psychology for 39 years, worked to form the Academic Senate, and helped administrators resolve sensitive matters during his tenure. He resigned his position as president of the Academic Senate because he believed the members were not working constructively on their own behalf, or for the betterment of the university.

It was recently reported in the press that the Cal Poly Humboldt Academic Senate has taken issue with select Title IX protocols. Some faculty members are making the argument that transparency shows support for a person claiming harassment by another party on the Cal Poly Humboldt campus.

While it appears that the intention of these faculty members is to help victims of harassment, I believe their thoughts are shortsighted and, if implemented, could do a great deal of harm to all parties involved, the intent of Title IX, and the university.

When seeking the help of a physician, or counselor concerning sensitive issues, discretion is expected from them.

Similarly, a victim of sexual discrimination on campus may be hesitant to openly reveal sensitive information unless guaranteed the information will not be made public by the Title IX process. If one doesn't get that assurance, they may be reluctant to seek the help they need. Or, they may not divulge the complete truth about

the situation.

Always remember when helping someone, "First, do no harm."

**Suzanne Castiglione
Arcata**

Ego, not logic

After returning from his first meeting with North Korean President Kim Jong Un in June 2018, President Trump declared that North Korea is no longer a nuclear threat. He added in a tweet that Americans and the rest of the world can now "sleep well tonight."

Later that year, Trump spoke warmly of Kim, "He likes me, I like him." He even touted receiving two of the "most beautiful" letters from Kim adding "I think we're going to make a (nuclear) deal" despite there being uncertainty among his advisors.

The two agreed to meet in a nuclear summit in Seoul in February of 2019. Unfortunately the advisors were correct. Kim did not agree with the US demands and no deal was reached. So much for Trump's good feelings.

Three more years have now gone by. It has just been reported that Kim plans for North Korea to have the "world's most powerful nuclear force" one day.

Kim's stated nuclear ambition shows just how misguided Trump's thinking was, it being controlled by his ego, not logic. Further, if Trump's suggestion that one could sleep well ever did apply, its time has certainly now passed.

**Sherman Schapiro
Eureka**

The strange psychology of climate change – tribalism, acquisitiveness and consequences

"Climate change is like my head: it's not visible in every instance, but I'm pretty darn sure it's there."

— Kevin Focke

"Men argue. Nature acts."

— Voltaire

What does human psychology have to do with climate change? Can our actions make a difference? How do we change behavior? How can we voice our concerns? What do we need to be aware of with climate change anxiety? These are all mindful questions.

To get answers to these questions I recently interviewed Professor Gregg Gold from Cal Poly Humboldt. He has earned two master's degrees and a doctorate in psychology with multiple focuses from UCLA. He has served as associate dean and the interim dean for the College of Professional Studies.

Presently, Gold is teaching psychology of prejudice and social psychology. He has been the chair for the Sierra Club North Group Executive Committee since 2004 and has been a member since 2002. (Full disclosure, I am on the board of the executive committee.)

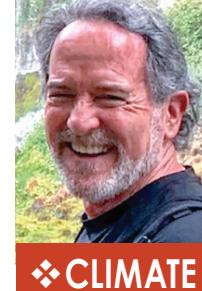
This is part one of the interview, next month will be part two.

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We can create whatever kind of world we want, and we have clearly chosen politically, in terms of climate change, this world instead of a more sustainable one. You can see that in terms of prejudice and humanity. There's no reason at this point for there to be inequality in the world; there's no reason for the horrible things that people do to each other; there's no natural reason for it. It is a psychological issue.

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❖ CLIMATE CHANGE AND YOU
Dana Utman

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Do you think it has anything to do with the primitive brain?

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One of the reasons people want more for example, is that they get accustomed to whatever they have. Rich people want more because they get used to whatever they have. It's like a constant noise in the background. After a while you don't notice it anymore, so you get used to it. The change must be big enough for you to notice.

Wealth tends to accumulate. We're susceptible to advertising. People cannot tell reality from non-reality, there's absolutely no difference in their minds. People tend to be very tribal. Those are reasons that some people have not paid attention to climate change.

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How do we create sustainable behavior that will help mitigate climate change's destructive effects?

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But what if a sign of status was how much good you did in the world? What if a sign of status was what you could conserve, living minimally but comfortably, and being able to live in a walkable community?

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enced people can be by things. Why do we spend billions and billions of dollars on advertising, trillions of dollars probably worldwide? Because we know it works.

How do we measure human perceptions and motivations toward climate change?

By whom they vote for. If they vote for politicians who really are intending to change the world, that's a pretty good measure. It's one thing to say you care about climate change, but it's another thing to say who you vote for.

What's their behavior? You say you care about climate change and yet you buy a new Tesla every two years? How long do you have to drive a 6,000-pound Tesla before it pays off its carbon debt?

As the negative effects of climate change grow, how might this affect mental health?

We can already see the negative effects that climate change is having, particularly on young people. Young people have unprecedented levels of anxiety. Climate anxiety is part of the anxiety that young people face. It's measurable. There's research on it. There's a climate change anxiety group at Cal Poly Humboldt that you can join to talk about it. It's not just for students but also staff.

(Climate anxiety) is real, it's growing and it's an existential threat to the future. What's the Earth going to look like in 60 years? It's not a pretty picture. What's it going to look like with sea level rise?

You're going to see anxiety and depression. I think we're already seeing it. You're seeing a rise in hate where people are being driven out of countries that they used to live in because of climate change.

Much of the migration is due to climate change. People can't grow food, or they can't survive in those temperatures and so they're leaving because literally, the crops are dying.

They want to survive. They want their families to survive.

What strategy can people use for battling these mental stressors? Does humor work as a means of coping when talking about climate change?

How do we address environmental injustice?

To be continued...

What is the coolest, most awesome Arcata business? (If you had to pick just one)

CITY OF ARCATA

ARCATA — The City of Arcata is currently accepting 2023 Business of the Year Award nominations.

The city established the annual Business of the Year Award program to recognize local businesses and nonprofits that exemplify the core values of innovation, resilience, collaboration, resourcefulness, diversity, equity, inclusion, environmental sustainability or community support.

Arcata businesses, nonprofits and members of the community are invited to submit nominations for the 2023 Business of the Year Award. All nominations must be received by 5 p.m. on Friday, Dec. 30.

To make a nomination, please fill out the form located at cityofarcata.org/BusinessAwards. Both digital and printable versions of the form are available.

Nominations will be accepted by email at jdart@cityofarcata.org.

The Economic Development Committee and members of City Council will review all 2023 Business of the Year Award nominations, and the winner will be presented at the Arcata Chamber of Commerce's 2023 Annual Business Leadership Awards on Saturday, Feb. 18.

For more information, please visit arcatachamber.com.

For more information on Business of the Year Award program, please visit cityofarcata.org or call the Community Development Department at (707) 822-5955.

City of Arcata 2023 Business of the Year Nomination Form

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Residents, businesses, and non-profits in Arcata are invited to submit nominations for the 2023 Business of the Year by filling out this form.

Submissions may be emailed to jdart@cityofarcata.org or dropped off in-person or by mail to: City of Arcata, Community Development Department, 736 F St., Arcata, CA 95521. For more information, call (707) 822-5955.

Name of local business or non-profit you would like to nominate for the 2023 Business of the Year:

How does this business or non-profit stand out and/or exemplify the core values of: innovation, collaboration, resilience, resourcefulness, diversity, equity, inclusion, environmental sustainability, or community support? Please provide examples, if any.

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BALLET IN ARCATA
Ballet Emmaus dancer Julia Sheppard will dance in "O Come Emmanuel" on Thursday, Dec. 22 at 7:15 p.m. at the Trinity Baptist Church, 2459 Alliance Rd. in Arcata. Doors open at 7 p.m. and there is a suggested donation of \$10. Please, no children under four years of age. Ballet Emmaus is the resident company of McKinleyville's Trinity Ballet Academy.

SUBMITTED PHOTO

ARCATA THEATRE LOUNGE Los Rakas will perform Friday, Dec. 16 at the Arcata Theatre Lounge at 1036 G Street in Arcata. Los Rakas is comprised of cousins Raka Rich and Raka Dun, pioneering Panamanians by way of the Bay Area on the frontier of a new Latin urban sound. Known for their fresh mix of hip-hop, plena, reggae and dancehall music, the Grammy-nominated duo represents the cutting edge of Pan-American flows. Taking their name from the Panamanian word "Rakataka," a negative slur used to describe someone from the ghetto, Los Rakas have set out to inspire fellow "Rakas" by empowering them to become successful despite their circumstances. Doors open at 7 p.m., show starts at 8 p.m. All ages. Tickets are \$15 and are available at the door or by visiting arcatatheatrelounge.com. For more information, call (707) 630-5000.

HUMBOLDT BREWERY Hillstomp will perform Friday, Dec. 16 at the Humboldt Brewery at 856 Tenth Street in Arcata. Hillstomp is a two-man band comprised of Henry Hill Kammerer and John Johnson. Henry plays guitar and banjo like a hurricane, and if you close your eyes you'd swear he's playing two parts at once. John Johnson beats mercilessly on his drums, with the fury of a demon loose from hell. Once you get past the pure ferocity of his playing, you notice the parts are intricately crafted patterns that provide the framework for Kammerer's guitar and banjo sorcery. With opening band Hill Honey & The Wildcats. Doors open at 7:30 p.m., show starts at 8 p.m. 21 and over. Tickets are \$12 in advance and \$15 at the door. For more information, call (707) 826-BREWS or visit humbrews.com.

RICHARD'S GOAT Conman Bolo will perform Friday, Dec. 16 at Richard's Goat at 401 I St. in Arcata. It is with both a heavy heart and excitement that Humboldt's beloved yacht rock band Conman Bolo announces that most of them will be moving to L.A. at the end of the year. Come get down with them one last time at the Miniplex to dance the night away and wish them well on their next adventure! Palm Springs musician Javie Bahama will be kicking off the night. Doors open at 7 p.m., show starts at 8 p.m. 21 and over. Tickets are \$5 in advance by visiting richardsgoat.com, or \$10 at the door. For more information, call (707) 630-5000.

HUMBREWS The world-famous Stinkfoot Orchestra featuring Zappa alumnis Napoleon Murphy Broack performs classic FZ music at Humbrews, 856 10th St, Saturday, Dec. 17. Doors open at 8 p.m., show at 9 p.m. The Stinkfoot Orchestra delivers two sets of Frank music via a 15-piece ensemble which incorporates a six-piece horn section, tuned percussion and five vocalists. With the iconic voices of Zappa alumni leading the charge, the band leaves even the most critical Zappa fan pining for more. Read Kevin Hoover's stirring review of the May Stinkfoot Orchestra show at Humbrews at madriverunion.com. Tickets are \$25; ages 21-plus only. holdmyticket.com/event/400764; stinkfootorchestra.com

THE LOGGER The Former Chimps will perform Saturday, Dec. 17 at the Logger at 510 Railroad Avenue in Blue Lake. The Former Chimps play are a post-punk/rock band born out of the Humboldt County wilderness. Jeff Langdon, James Forbes, Tommy Chase and Sean Ennis have had their hands in the scene for 40 years. From Arrogant Hair and Henpecker to The Hitch. From Graves to Grout or Crutch to the Buffy Swayze. Opening bands TBA. The show starts at 9 p.m. 21 and over. For more information, call (707) 668-5000 or visit loggerbar.com/even.

COMING UP Rosewater will perform at the Humboldt Brewery on Saturday, Jan. 7 at 8 p.m. The Gutwurz Student Activities Center at Cal Poly Humboldt is proud to announce Thee Sacred Souls in the Kate Buchanan Room on Wednesday, Feb. 22, 2023 at 8 p.m.

LEGAL NOTICES

**CITY OF ARCATA
NOTICE OF REQUEST FOR
PROPOSALS (RFP)
ENVIRONMENTAL COMPLIANCE & MONITORING
CONSULTING SERVICES
FOR THE ARCATA WASTE-
WATER TREATMENT
FACILITIES IMPROVEMENT
PROJECT PHASE I**

The City of Arcata is seeking proposals from qualified

firms to provide environmental compliance monitoring and biological survey services to ensure compliance with environmental permit requirements for Phase I of the Arcata Wastewater Treatment Facilities Improvement Project in Arcata, California. The City intends to enter a multi-year agreement with a qualified firm that will be responsible for serving as the City's agent throughout the duration of Project construction to ensure adherence to all permit requirements pertaining to the protection of biological and cultural resources.

An optional job walk will be held on December 19, 2022, at 1:00 p.m. at the City's Corporation Yard, 600 South G Street in Arcata.

Sealed proposals will be received at the City Manager's Office, 736 F Street, Arcata, California until 4:00 p.m. on Thursday, January 19, 2023. Proposals will be evaluated and ranked by a selection committee. The award for this contract is anticipated to be made at the Arcata City Council's meeting on or after February 15, 2023. The Re-

quest for Proposals Package for this work can be obtained on the City's website, www.cityofarcata.org under "Bids." Direct Inquiries to: Danielle Allred, Contracts & Special Projects Manager 736 F Street, Arcata, CA 95521 dallred@cityofarcata.org 707-825-2101

beautiful sounds with Wind Energy during their Winter Concert! Wind Energy is Humboldt County's premier woodwind quintet made up of Eureka Symphony musicians. The concert will include a variety of seasonal and non-seasonal chamber music with themes of joy and enlightenment expressed through tone, timbre and surprise cadences. Wind Energy consists of Jill Petricca, flute; Michael Kibbe, oboe; Paul Cummings, clarinet; Anwyn Halliday, horn; and Aaron Lopez, bassoon. "Our love of music has held us strong; growing and working throughout the past five years. Wind Energy could not have remained this strong if it were not for the sponsorship of providing rehearsal space by the Morris Graves Museum of Art. We are delighted to bring repertoire to celebrate the season, and give a taste of what's to come in 2023," said Jill Petricca.

Holiday show at Arcata Playhouse

ARCATA PLAYHOUSE

CREAMERY DISTRICT – Take a step away from the bustle of the holidays and relax in the cozy atmosphere of the Arcata Playhouse. On Friday, Dec. 23 at 8 p.m. Canary and the Vamp will be playing a few of their holiday favorites, along with their ever evolving repertoire of Swing, Spaghetti Western, and Americana, in an evening of music that will trans-

port you back to a simpler time.

The quartet is Beverly Twist on vocals, guitar, trumpet, and banjolele; John Ludington on upright bass; Ryan Roberts on guitar; and Aleister Paige on pedal steel and violin.

The theater will be set with small tables for intimate gatherings, along with specialty drinks from the bar, hot coco, and freshly baked chocolate chip cookies. So come in from

the cold and dance the night away in a holiday evening special with Canary and the Vamp.

Canary and the Vamp plays at 8 p.m. with doors opening at 7:30 p.m. at the Arcata Playhouse, located at 1251 Ninth St. in Arcata. Tickets are \$15, available online at arcataplayhouse.org, by phone reservation at (707) 822-1575, or at Wildberries Marketplace.



TRADITIONAL IRISH DANCERS A Celtic Christmas comes to the Van Duzer Thursday, Dec. 15. VIA CELTIC CHRISTMAS WEBSITE

Tomáseen Foley's A Celtic Christmas

CENTERARTS

CAL POLY HUMBOLDT – CenterArts is proud to announce Tomáseen Foley's *A Celtic Christmas* to the Van Duzer Theater on Thursday, Dec. 15 at 7 p.m.

For the 27th season, Tomáseen Foley's *A Celtic Christmas* takes to the road with all new stories, music, and dances that celebrate Irish culture and the giving spirit of Christmas.

A Celtic Christmas recreates the joy and innocence of a night before

Christmas in a remote farmhouse in the west of Ireland – when the neighboring families gather around the fire to grace the wintry night with the melodies of traditional Irish Christmas carols.

This year's show features scintillating traditional Irish musicians and dancers – some of the finest and most authentic exponents of the Celtic arts performing anywhere today, on either side of the Atlantic. At its center is native Irish storyteller, Tomáseen

Foley.

CenterArts members can receive benefits such as discounted tickets, access to exclusive member presales, and more!

For more information on becoming a CenterArts member season, or to receive a free brochure with the current listing of events, call CenterArts at (707) 826-3928. Information is also available online by visiting the CenterArts website at centerarts.humboldt.edu.



STOP BY JACOBY'S STOREHOUSE There is much to see in Jacoby's Storehouse in the Arcata Plaza at 791 Eighth St. Check out the new paint job being executed by Hamanaka Painting. Inside you'll find beautiful 24.5-foot-tall red fir, harvested at an elevation of 5,000 feet, in the snow, on South Fork Mountain. Intrepid mountaineers Bill Chino and Jay Brown recently directed a crew from Plaza Grill, Storehouse businesses, Mazzotti's Restaurant and city ambassadors to raise the 700-plus-pound tree, which is now fully decorated. Carla and Steph from Arcata Tuxedo have transformed the building into a holiday wonderland. In the Plaza Grill are works by the Sunday Plein aire painters, above, a group organized by Paul and Nancy Rickard to capture the outdoor glory of Humboldt County in various media exhibited on the walls of the restaurant. This exhibit runs through January. Jay Brown will be featuring his ongoing "Hamertime; a rock on a stick." The show celebrates the form and function of hammers and mallets, above right, in multi media works on paper in his open studio on the Plaza level, Suite 5.



SUBMITTED PHOTOS

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS
NAME STATEMENT
22-00743

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:
KEANA'S BAKERY
20 PRICE CREEK RD.
FERNDALE, CA 95536
COUNTY OF
HUMBOLDT
KEANA R. DOTSON
20 PRICE CREEK RD.
FERNDALE, CA 95536

This business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL
S/KEANA R. DOTSON
OWNER

This statement was filed with the Humboldt County Clerk on DEC. 2, 2022
KELLY E. SANDERS
TN DEPUTY CLERK
12/14, 12/21, 12/28, 1/4

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS
NAME STATEMENT
22-00732

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:
HUMBLE RISE KITCHEN
135 SUNKIST LANE
MCKINLEYVILLE, CA
95519
COUNTY OF
HUMBOLDT
MARIAH H. SARABIA
135 SUNKIST LANE
MCKINLEYVILLE, CA

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S/MARIAH H. SARABIA
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12/7, 12/14, 12/21, 12/28

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS
NAME STATEMENT
22-00712

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:
LEROUX WOODWORKS

1702 HOLLY DR.
MCKINLEYVILLE, CA
95519
COUNTY OF
HUMBOLDT
HARLAN C. LEROUX
1702 HOLLY DR.
MCKINLEYVILLE, CA
95519

This business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL
S/HARLAN LEROUX
REGISTERED OWNER

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS
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22-00724

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:
CENTURY SERVICE

CENTER
CENTURY MOBILE
HOMES
1739 TOMLINSON ST.
EUREKA, CA 95503
COUNTY OF
HUMBOLDT

DOUGLAS L. BITTLE
1947 CAMPTON RD.
EUREKA, CA 95503
JANICE E. BITTLE
1947 CAMPTON RD.
EUREKA, CA 95503

This business is conducted by: A MARRIED COUPLE

S/DOUGLAS L. BITTLE
OWNER

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11/30, 12/7, 12/14, 12/21

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS
NAME STATEMENT
22-00718

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:
GRIFFITH HOSPITALITY

3116 1 ST.
EUREKA, CA 95503

COUNTY OF
HUMBOLDT

CHRISTOPHER J.
GRIFFITH

3116 1 ST.
EUREKA, CA 95503

HEATHER A.
GRIFFITH

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EUREKA, CA 95503

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S/CHRISTOPHER J.
GRIFFITH

OWNER

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS
NAME STATEMENT
22-00716

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:
FICKLE HILL

ENTERPRISES

2531 DAVIS WAY
ARCATA, CA 95521

COUNTY OF
HUMBOLDT

MAJA K. HANSON

2531 DAVIS WAY
ARCATA, CA 95521

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S/MAJA K. HANSON

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CITATION FOR
PUBLICATION
UNDER WELFARE AND
INSTITUTIONS CODE
SECTION 294

Case Name: Lexilee

Case No. JV110136

1. To Dawson Patrick and Richard Nelson and anyone claiming to be a parent of Lexilee Bryan born on 9/6/2011 at St. Joseph Hospital, Eureka, CA.

2. A hearing will be held on 2/1/2023 at 8:30 a.m. in Dept. 7 located at Superior Court of California, County of Humboldt, 825 Fifth Street, Eureka, CA 95501, Juvenile Division, 2nd floor. Check the court's website on how to appear at your hearing. There will be information posted on how to appear remotely if the court remains closed. For assistance with appearing virtually, please contact Child Welfare Services' main phone line at (707) 445-6180.

3. At the hearing the court will consider the recommendations of the social worker or probation officer.

4. The social worker or probation officer will recommend that your child be freed from your legal custody so that the child may be adopted. If the court follows the recommendation, all your parental rights to the child will be terminated.

5. You have the right to be present at the hearing, to present evidence, and you have the right to be represented by an attorney. If you do not have an attorney and cannot afford to hire one, the court will appoint an attorney for you.

6. If the court terminates your parental rights, the order may be final.

7. The court will proceed with this hearing whether or not you are present.

ATTORNEY FOR:

CHILD WELFARE SERVICES

SCOTT A. MILES, INTERIM COUNTY COUNSEL #262695

KATIE BACA, DEPUTY COUNTY COUNSEL #188031

825 FIFTH STREET

EUREKA, CA 95501

(707) 445-7236

DATE: NOVEMBER 15, 2022

Clerk, by Kim M. Bartleson, Deputy

11/23, 11/30, 12/7, 12/14

ORDER TO SHOW
CAUSE
FOR CHANGE OF
NAME

COURTNEY MICHELLE

PECORELLA

SUPERIOR COURT OF

CALIFORNIA

COUNTY OF HUM-

BOLDT

CASE NO. CV2201683

TO ALL INTERESTED

PERSONS:

1. Petitioner has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:

Present name: **COUR-**

NEY MICHELLE

PECORELLA

to Proposed name: **IVY**

MICHELLE PECOREL-

LA

2. THE COURT OR-

ERS that all persons

interested in this matter

appear before this court,

located at 825 5th Street,

Eureka, California, at

the hearing indicated

below to show cause, if

any, why the application

should not be granted.

Any person objecting to

the name changes de-

scribed above must file

a written objection that

includes the reasons for

the objection at least two

court days before the

matter is scheduled to be

heard and must appear

at the hearing to show

cause why the petition

should not be granted.

If no written objection

is timely filed, the court

may grant the petition

without a hearing.

Date: JAN. 6, 2023

Time: 1:45 p.m.

Dept.: 4

For information on how

to appear remotely for

your hearing, please visit

<https://www.humboldtcourts.ca.gov/>.

3. A copy of this Order

to Show Cause shall be

published at least once a

week for four successive

weeks prior to the date

set for hearing on the

petition in the following

newspaper of general

circulation, printed in this

county: Mad River Union.

Date: NOV. 18, 2022

TIMOTHY A. CANNING

Judge of the Superior

Court

11/30, 12/7, 12/14, 12/21

NOTICE OF PETITION
TO ADMINISTER ES-

TEATE OF

S/MAJA K. HANSON

OWNER

This statement was filed with the Humboldt County Clerk on Nov. 15, 2022
KELLY E. SANDERS

WC DEPUTY CLERK

11/23, 11/30, 12/7, 12/14

KEVIN CRAIG LOPREST
AKA KEVIN C LO
PREST, AKA KEVIN LO
PREST
CASE NO.: PR2200339

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both:

KEVIN CRAIG LOPREST
AKA KEVIN C LO
PREST, AKA KEVIN LO
PREST

A Petition for Probate has been filed by COREY LOPREST in the Superior Court of California, County of Humboldt.

The Petition for Probate requests that: COREY LOPREST be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

The petition requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act.

This authority will allow the personal representative to take any actions without obtaining court approval.



NEW TRAIL Community members and project partners attended the Manila Trail Grand Opening on Dec. 5. Bicycle-themed cupcakes were part of the celebration.

PHOTOS BY MIKE WILSON

MAD RIVER UNION

MANILA — On Monday, Dec. 5, community members, project partners and Humboldt County officials held a grand opening event for the new Manila Trail along the western side of Highway 255.

The paved trail helps connect neighborhoods and provides a biking and walking route to the Redwood Coast Montessori

school at the Manila Community Center.

Students from Redwood Coast Montessori attended the festivities complete with trail-themed cupcakes and a ribbon cutting.

The 10-foot wide shared-use trail is separated from Highway 255 and extends from Pacific Avenue to Lupine Drive.

The project includes nearly

200 feet of sidewalk along Pacific Avenue, two crosswalks and two streetlights at the intersection of Pacific Avenue and Highway 255, a crosswalk at Lupine Drive, on-site wetland creation and an interpretive sign.

Colleen Clifford, a Manila resident, attended the event and shared what the trail means to her. "This may be a short trail, but

it means a lot to me and my family because it is a safe path for my kids to ride across our small town and enjoy other areas of Manila. We appreciate the leadership of all who made it happen."

The \$741,000 project was a collaboration between Humboldt County, the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans), and the Manila Community Services

District. Humboldt County constructed the project with funding provided by the state Active Transportation Program and State Highway Operation and Protection Program. The construction contractor was Wahlund Construction.

Construction engineering services were provided by Ghirardelli Associates and GHD, Inc. with oversight by Caltrans.

\$2m NFWF grant to bring foredunes restoration

FRIENDS OF THE DUNES

HUMBOLDT — Two million dollars is on its way to Humboldt Bay to restore native dune ecosystems, increase biodiversity and provide climate resiliency.

The National Fish and Wildlife Foundation (NFWF) and National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) just announced a record \$136 million investment in projects nationwide that will help communities

prepare for increasing coastal flooding and more intense storms, while improving thousands of acres of coastal habitats.

A native foredune restoration project planned in partnership by Friends of the Dunes and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service was identified by NFWF and NOAA as one of the most promising nature-based solutions to the impacts of climate change and sea level rise in the Unit-

ed States.

The resulting \$2 million grant award from NFWF to Friends of the Dunes will result in the restoration of approximately 20 acres of foredunes at two ends of a previously restored four miles of shoreline on the North Spit of Humboldt Bay, which protects the community of Manila.

"This project builds on the visionary work of Andrea Pickart and our partners at the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service to restore native coastal habitat and create a more resilient dune system," said Mike Cipra, executive director of Friends of the Dunes. "It means a lot that the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation and NOAA are investing in the future of our biodiverse dunes and in the protection of Humboldt Bay communities."

Newly published research conducted through

the multi-partner Humboldt Coastal Resilience Project has demonstrated that restoring native dune vegetation leads to increased resilience. Invasive species such as European beachgrass prevent the movement of sand inland and build steep, narrow, static foredunes that are subject to scarping and significant loss during winter storms — storms that are predicted to grow more severe with climate change and sea level rise. Replacing invasive plant species with native species creates a broader, higher foredune, allows quicker recovery from large storms, and maintains sediment flow, with movement of sand from the beach to the foredune and backdune.

This landmark restoration and resilience project will implement the peer-reviewed findings of the Humboldt Coastal Resilience Project by removing invasive species that decrease resilience and

restored foredune at Lanphere Dunes. PHOTO BY ANDREA PICKART | FRIENDS OF THE DUNES



revegetating with native species that increase resilience and biodiversity. The project is a collaboration involving multiple partners, including the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Friends of the Dunes, Redwood Community Action Agency, the California Conservation Corps and the Wiyot Tribe.

"We are excited to have an opportunity to work with our community partners on this collaborative restoration effort. This project is the culmination of 40 years of partnering with the community on the collective goals

of conserving biodiversity and restoring habitats in and around Humboldt Bay," said Cashell Villa, Project Leader for the Humboldt Bay National Wildlife Refuge.

The areas where the planned restoration work will take place over the next four years include the 122-acre Humboldt Coastal Nature Center property and the relatively newly conserved 325-acre Wadulh Unit of the Humboldt Bay National Wildlife Refuge, just north of the Lanphere Dunes. Wadulh means "dunes" in Soulatluk, Wiyot language.

When this project is complete, there will be a 5.3-mile, contiguous stretch of fully restored foredunes running from the Humboldt Coastal Nature Center in the south, through the Ma-lel and Lanphere Dunes, to the Wadulh Unit.

For more information about the NFWF coastal resilience grant awards, visit nfwf.org/media-center/press-releases/nfwf-noaa-announce-record-136-million-coastal-resilience

For more information about the Humboldt Coastal Resilience Project, including access to the published study, visit friendsofthedunes.org/hcrp.

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A message to families about
INTERDISTRICT ATTENDANCE
Enrollment for the 2023-2024 school year has begun.
For those interested in obtaining an interdistrict transfer, please contact your school district of residence to begin the process.
This process is for both new and renewal requests. For more information, including application deadlines, contact your school district of residence.
If you are unsure of your district of residence, visit hcoe.org/district-locator.

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Mensaje a las familias sobre
LA ASISTENCIA INTERDISTRITAL
La inscripción para el año escolar 2023-2024 ha comenzado.
Si está interesado en obtener una transferencia interdistrital, comuníquese con su distrito escolar de residencia para comenzar el proceso.
Este proceso es tanto para solicitudes nuevas como de renovación. Para obtener más información, por ejemplo, sobre los plazos de solicitud, comuníquese con su distrito escolar de residencia.
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